(c) The US Government has taken due note of our concern and has assured that efforts continue by the consular officers in the US Mission/Posts in India to improve the efficiency of the visa process. They have, however, maintained that business visas, which constitute the principal non-immigrant category of the total visas issued in India, have approval ratings which are much higher than the general visa category.

Restrictions on bottling and blending units for IMFL/CL in Silvassa in Dadra and Nagar Haveli

*156. SHRI KANAKSINH MOHANSINH MANGROLA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether his Ministry have issued any orders/instructions to the Union Territory of Dadra and Nagar Haveli imposing any restriotions on the setting up of bottling and blending units for IMFL/CL in the approved industrial areas of Silvassa;

(b) if so, what are the salient features of these guidelines/orders/instructions;

(c) whether such orders/instructions would restrict the revenue of the UT administration besides employment to the local community; and

(d) if so, what steps are being taken to revoke/rescind these orders/instructions specially in view of tax holidays provided to this UT administration by Government?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI S.B. CHAVAN): (a) No, Sir.

(b) to (d) Do not arise, in view of (a) above.

Review of centre-state relations

*157. SHRI RAJUBHAI A. PARMAR:
SHRIMATI VEENA VERMA:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether in view of liberlization of economy and rapid economic changes with increasing responsibilities of State Governments, a fresh review of Centre-State Relations has been undertaken; and

(b) if so, what decisions have been taken in the light thereof and the steps taken in pursuance of these decisions?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI S.B. CHAVAN): (a) and (b) The various aspects of Centre-State relations as brought out in the Sarkaria Commission report are currently being examined by a Sub-Committee of the Inter-State Council. It is expected that the examination of the report would take into account the evolving situation.

Allotment of STD/ISD/PCO booths to unemployed and handicapped youths in Hyderabad

*158. SHRI V. HANUMANTHA RAO: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a proposal to release one thousand STD/ISD/PCOs to unemployed and handicapped youths in Hyderabad in 1995-96;

(b) if so, what is the status of this proposal; and

(c) whether applications have been received so far, if so the number thereof and how many have been screened?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATION (SHRI SUKH RAM): (a) Yes Sir.

(b) and (c) 5433 applications were received which have been screened by the PCO allotment Committee in October, 1995.